## Procedures for Annual Adjustments Clinton County

## **Residential**

- Step 1: The Residential land values were trended by sales of vacant land within the neighborhood. Sales were used of vacant parcels as well as improved parcels that were vacant at the time of sale. In neighborhoods where there were no vacant land sales, the land was trended with the same % of change that occurred with the improvements. In other words, the land and improvements were trended together. Values were adjusted using trending factors; there were no base rates changed.
- Step 2: After the land factors were established, those values were added to the current improvement values and compared to the improved sale prices. A separate trending factor was then applied to the dwelling of the property to raise or lower the values to an acceptable median level. If there were no sales in the neighborhood, then consideration was given to homes for sale in the neighborhood or the neighborhood was trended as similar neighborhoods. In Forest Township, due to lack of sales we did use 2006 sales and time adjusted them by 1.5% annual.
- Step 3: The newly established trending factors were applied to all properties within that neighborhood and a sales ratio study and abstract were ran to verify the changes.

## **Commercial / Industrial**

Step 1: The C/I land values were trended by sales of vacant land within the neighborhood. Sales were used of vacant parcels as well as improved parcels that were vacant at the time of sale. In neighborhoods where there were no vacant land sales, the land was changed by comparing them to like neighborhoods. Values were adjusted using trending factors; there were no base rates changed.

The land values for rural commercial and industrial properties were trended with the same factor applied to the residential land.

Step 3: After the land factors were established, those values were added to the current improvement values and compared to the improved sale prices. A separate trending factor was then applied to the improvements of the property to raise or lower the values to an acceptable median level. If there were no sales in

the neighborhood, then consideration was given for sales of an earlier time period in the neighborhood or the neighborhood was trended as similar neighborhoods. Due to lack of sales, all commercial and industrial properties throughout the county were trended together.

For income producing properties, income data sheets were mailed out and GRM's or capitalization of income was used to assist in determining the values.

Step 4: The newly established trending factors were applied to all properties within that neighborhood and a sales ratio study and abstract were ran to verify the changes.

See Text within ratio study for further explanations.